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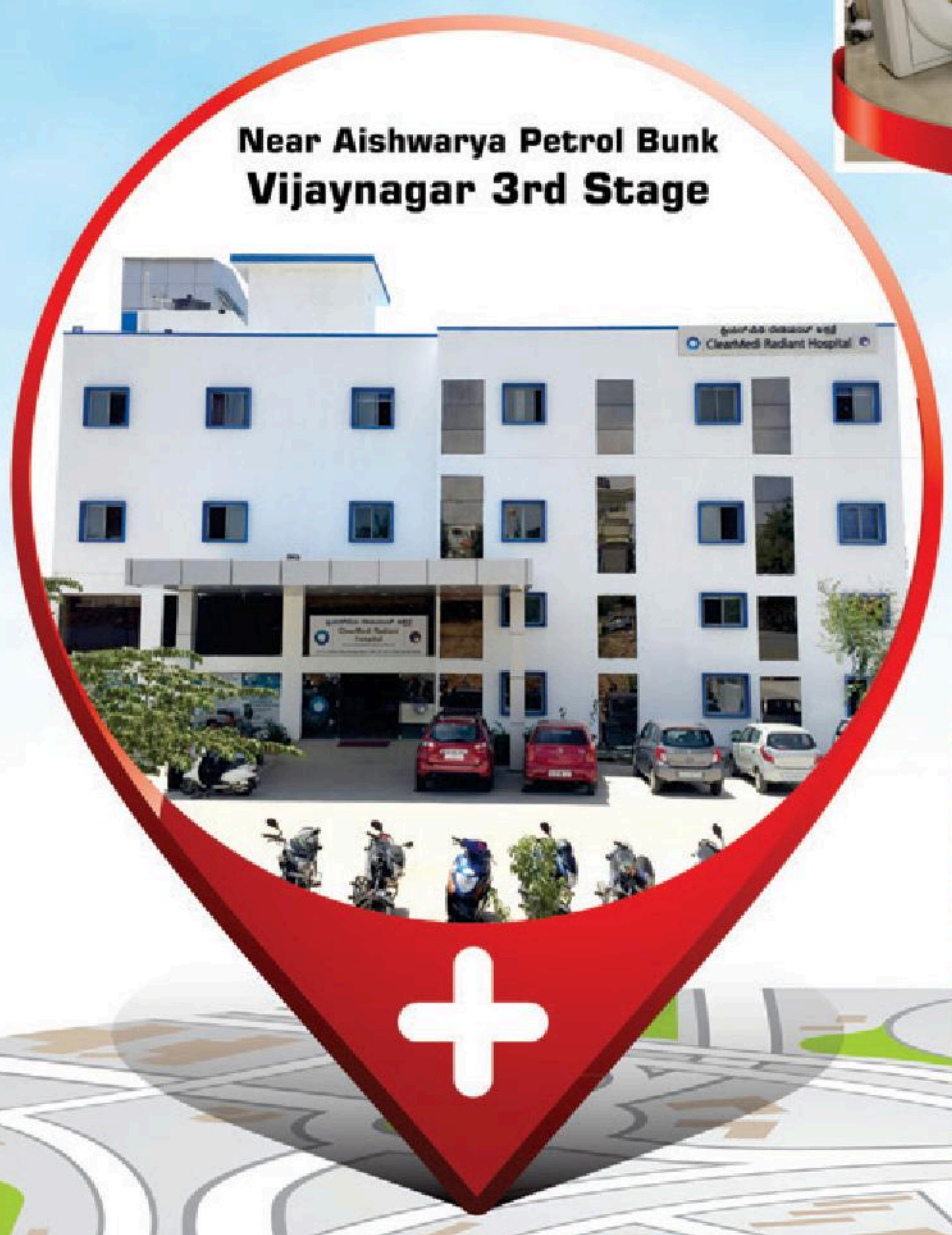

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.
Editorial Advisor: K.B. Ganapathy B.A.; B.L.
Mysuru, Saturday 24th March 2018

In the august company of teachers and doctors

People at large owe a deep debt of gratitude to those who sweat and toil mainly for a livelihood and in the process render service to humanity in more ways than normally visualised by the beneficiaries, that is 'us'. Workers in the mines, labourers in the building construction sector, loaders hauling merchandise in two stages of loading and unloading in the clouded ambience of dust as well as the civic workers engaged on moving tons of garbage (as in Mysuru). The section of the land's population, fortunate to be engaged on white-collar jobs, doesn't seem to realise the plight of the aforementioned workforce bugged by serious threat to their health, short span of work life, low wages, lack of education and living in insanitary environs. Although governments are expected to comply with worker-friendly laws through their department of labour, the extent to which the functionaries in administration have failed in their duty is common knowledge.

The script of the land's historians telling us about life of people in the past, at best, throws light on *what* has happened, leaving the question of *why* grossly unanswered. This feature prompts one to turn attention to a currently important topic of *toilets*. Given the fact that our ancestors didn't build toilets, can anybody answer why they chose open defecation?

While both the Central Government and many State Governments are blaring statements in the media with targets of building residential dwellings as well as toilets both in urban spaces and villages, followed by figures reflecting achievement of the task, investors of all hues, popularly known as *developers* have got into overdrive raising multi-storeyed structures in cities across the country, virtually changing their skyline, much to the dislike of the ageing citizens who have spent major part of their life in single-storeyed dwellings. Amidst the glitz and glamour marking the aggressive promotion of high rise structures by the developers, the construction workers continue to remain invisible.

The nation's Apex Court has lamented that millions of construction workers, mostly women and children, are being denied the benefits of welfare with 28,500 crore rupees collected for their cause but not utilised. The time-honoured Sanskrit quote that doctors and teachers are not necessary after their service puts in their august company India's estimated five crore building construction workforce.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

SARI SYNDROME: ***Telugu Desam Party (TDP) MLAs have tried every trick in the book to draw the government's — as well as the media's — attention, while demanding special status for Andhra Pradesh. TDP MLA Naramalli Sivaprasad, who has been at the forefront of leading all sorts of protests in his distinguished style — from dressing as a*** *tantrik* ***to wearing*** *ghungroos* ***— came draped in a sari on Monday and alleged that the Prime Minister had ignored the lot of women in Andhra Pradesh.*** *— In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Human faced dog

Boston: Yogi, a one-year-old brown Shih Tzu- poodle mix, has become a social media sensation due to his uncanny, almost human-like facial expression.

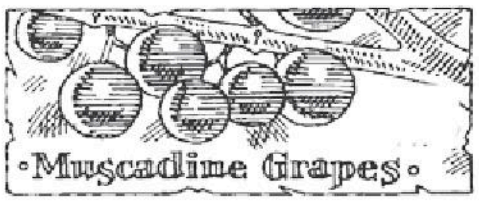
Photos of this 'dog with a man's face' have been doing the rounds online. It all started when Chantal Desjardins, from Massachusetts, posted a photo of her freshly groomed pooch Yogi, on *Facebook*. It wasn't long before her friends started pointing out that his face looked uncannily human-like, and some even asked her if she used editing software to create the eerie effect. Chantal insisted that she had not manipulated the photo at all. With his striking soulful eyes, detailed brow, close cut mustache and a snout that closely resembles a pair of lips, Yogi does have a strange, almost human-like visage. And while some people think he looks adorable, to others this uncanny valley effect is just disturbing. Talking about her dog's new found internet fame, Chantal Desjardins told People Magazine that she is "kinda turning into Yogi's manager."

Death-themed cafe at Thai

Bangkok: From cat cafes to toilet cafes and even cafes dedicated to female thighs, themed cafes are all the rage these days. Usually, entrepreneurs go for funny or exciting themes to attract as many people as possible, but one cafe in Thailand is based on the most morbid theme of all – death. The Kid-Mai Death Cafe looks more like the scene of a funeral than a place you'd want to hang out with your friends. Black is the dominant colour, but that's probably the least morbid thing about this establishment. Funeral wreaths are used as floral decorations, items on the menu have names like "ageing", "painful", "illness", and "death" and are displayed as funeral photos at the bar, and there's even a coffin that visitors can lie down in to get a small discount. Why go through the trouble of opening a death-themed cafe? Well, the people behind Kid-Mai prefer the term "death awareness cafe." Their main goal is to make people accept their mortality and inspire them to enjoy every moment of their life, because they never know when it's going to end.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How does resveratrol work?



Resveratrol, found in the seeds and skins of muscadine grapes, activates a gene called Sirtuin 1, the same gene that is activated during calorie restriction. It has been demonstrated that calorie restriction extends lifespan. So it is believed that resveratrol has the ability to extend the life of the human cell.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Music feature 'Bhavayami Raghuramam' tomorrow

Dr. Srinidhi

Mysuru, Mar. 24- As part of Sri Ramanavami celebrations, a music feature titled 'Bhavayami Raghuramam' by Dr. Srinidhi K. Parthasarathi has been organised at Andal Mandiram, Temple Street, V.V. Mohalla, tomorrow (Mar.25) from 5 pm to 7 pm, under the joint aegis of Hebbar Sree Vaishnava Rural District Upa Sabha, Mysuru and Andal Mandiram Trust, Mysuru.

He will be accompanied by **Vid. Srikanth** on violin and **Vid. Dasappa** on mridanga.

Profile: Dr. Srinidhi has been spearheading the spiritual beacon in India across diverse audience with his lectures, discourses, writings and classes in his inimitable style of delivery and simplicity. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering and later went on to complete his PG in Management from TA Pai Institute of Management, Manipal. He has secured his Ph.D in Quality Management based on spirituality contained in Bhagavad Gita.

Having been an industrialist entrepreneur and an academician for the last 25 years, he is now serving as Director of National School of Business and VYASA Business School, Bengaluru. Alongside his academic and professional pursuits has been his profound interest in learning myriad spiritual hymns and classics. His father U.Ve. K.S. Parthasarathi guided him into the path of spirituality and righteousness. Showered by the blessings of the Pontiffs of Parakala Mutt and Ahobila Mutt, Dr. Srinidhi engulfed himself into mastering of Indian scriptures, Vedas and Upanishads. He learnt Yajurveda under Vedanta Pravachana Ratna U.Ve. G.N. Ramaprasad, Divyaprabhandham under Divyaprabhandha Choodarnani U.Ve. P. Srinivasan Swami and Karnatak Classical vocal under Vidwans S. Lakshmana Shastry, Madhur Balasubramanyam and G.N. Desikan.

Many articles authored by him have been published in journals, magazines and newspapers. He has been associated with many Universities, Colleges and Corporate houses to train both faculty and students. For his contribution to Spirituality and Indian culture, he has been conferred the title *'Veda Maartaanda.'*

Really...?

- ***Cockroaches were there 120 million years before dinosaurs roamed the earth.***
- ***A reindeer's eyes change colour through the seasons. They're gold during the summer and blue in the winter.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

My friend thinks he is smart, he said onions are the only food that make you cry... So I threw a coconut at his face!

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Rahul speaks to Maharani's students

Congress President Rahul Gandhi is seen interacting with the students of Maharani's College in city this morning.

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (RK&BCT)- Either the students of Maharani's College were bowled over by Rahul Gandhi or he was won over by the students. Maharani's Science College in city witnessed a fruitful interaction between the Congress President and over 600 girl students this morning where there were several moments that sent the audience into peals of laughter.

One such moment was when a girl, holding a mike and blushing, openly asked for a selfie with Rahul amidst cheering and howling from other students. The Congress President too blushed and with a broad dimpled grin on his face, climbed down the stage and headed straight to the student and posed for a selfie with her. Seeing this, many other students too scrambled for selfies with the Congress leader.

Security personnel, the SPG and the lady constables had a tough time in convincing the overenthusiastic girls to leave Rahul as he had other programmes to attend. This did not go down well with the students who went on clicking selfies with the Congress President. On his part too, Rahul was obliging and could not say no. The selfie spree continued for almost 15 to 20 minutes and Rahul had to be led away by his security men.

After his visit to Chamundi Hill, Rahul arrived at Maharani's Science College at 10.15 am. He was accompanied by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) President Dr. G. Parameshwara, KPCC Working President Dinesh Gundu Rao, Senior leader and former Union Minister Mallikarjuna Kharge, Energy Minister D.K. Shivakumar and MLA Vasu.

The Congress President was received by Principals M. Channabasavegowda (Arts College), Dr. Annegowda (Commerce College) and Udayashankar (Science College). After exchanging pleasantries, Rahul was led to the stage (where coolers were placed on either sides) inside the college where over 600 students had assembled.

(See RAHUL on page 13)

To Our Readers

Due to pressure on space, ***The Weekend Star Supplement*** *could not be published today. The same will be published tomorrow.* **—Ed**

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

NEWS BRIEFS

Academic Council meeting on Mar.28

The Academic Council meeting of University of Mysore will be held on Mar. 28 at 11 am at the Crawford Hall in city, according to a press release from the Deputy Registrar.

Sunday Clinic

Avati L. Ramasheshaiah and Lakshmi Devamma Clinic of Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a 'Sunday Clinic' at its premises on Vinoba Road on Mar. 25 from 8 am to 12 noon. For details, call Mob: 88847-44144.

Safe Beat Clinic

Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a 'Safe Beat Clinic' at its premises in Devanur, Mysuru, on Mar. 25 at 8am. The Clinic involves Lipid profile, ECG, FBS, PP, Calcium Score. For details, contact Mob:95380-52378.

Benefits for Ex-servicemen

The Department of Sainik Welfare and Resettlement has asked all Ex-servicemen to register themselves with the Department to avail benefits and employment. Also, it is mandatory for Ex-servicemen to have ID cards so that the family members can get all benefits in case of death of Ex-servicemen. For details, call Ph: 0821-2425240.

Calling female swimming coaches

The Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports has invited applications from female Swimming Coaches for coaching women at the newly-built swimming pool in Chamundi Vihar Stadium. Applications are also invited from male and female life-savers to be stationed at the swimming pool. The applications along with documents should be sent to the Department Office in Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad by Mar.28. For details, contact Ph:0821-2564179.

Sharana Sangama

Sri Basaveshwara Seva Samithi will be holding its sixth edition of 'Sharana Sangama' at Sri Sankashtahara Ganapathi Temple, Vishwagurumarga, E & F Block, Ramakrishnanagar (near Ramakrishnanagar CESC sub-station) at 5.15 pm tomorrow (Mar.25). Srikanta Swamiji of Mudigunda Virakta Mutt, Kollegal, will deliver a discourse on the occasion. For details, call Mob: 96635-07354 or 88848-85076.

Matrimonial meet

Karnataka Rajya Savita Samaja Naukarara Sangha has organised a matrimonial meet of Savita Samaja brides and grooms at Rajendra Kalabhavan on Ramanuja Road at 10 am tomorrow (Mar.25).

11 injured as balloon to welcome Rahul explodes

Mysuru, Mar.24 (RK&BCT)- Eleven persons including six children suffered injuries yesterday when a giant gas balloon exploded at Cauverypura in Srirangapatna taluk of Mandya district. The group of people was making arrangements to welcome Congress President Rahul Gandhi and was filling the balloons from a cylinder, when the accident occurred.

The workers from an advertising agency in Bengaluru had filled the balloon, with a giant hand (Congress) symbol, with gas and were doing trial at 4 pm near a residential area next to the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway when it exploded in air. The children who were watching the balloon received serious injuries.

The injured have been identified as 28-year-old Varun from Bengaluru, 40-year-old driver Dasharath, 8-year-old Preethi, daughter of Nataraj, a resident of Old Santhe Maidan at Srirangapatna, 10-year-old Madesha, son of Kumar, 18-year-old Sindhu, daughter of Siddarama, 15-year-old Rahul, 11-year-old Shabnam, 29-year-old Kiran of T. Narasipura, 18-year-old Abhi and 27-year-old Ramesh. The identity of one more person has not yet been established.

Madesh, Preethi, Kiran and Abhi sustained serious burn injuries. They were provided first aid at the taluk hospital and were later shifted to the K.R. Hospital in Mysuru. The intensity of the blast was so severe that the front portion of a nearby house was damaged.

Varun said, "We were filling the balloons with helium gas from a cylinder to release it during the visit of the Congress President. Two balloons were tested and were released. When the third balloon was being filled, it burst." The contractor would be subjected to inquiry. A probe will be conducted and action would be taken against the guilty, said the Police. Srirangapatna Police have registered a case.

Reports said that nitrogen gas was being filled into the balloon. However, experts said that nitrogen is not inflammable as 70 percent of the air contains nitrogen. Experts said that they might have used hydrogen to fill the balloon. "It is not helium as reported in a section of the Press but hydrogen as it is cheap and easily available. Helium is not that easy to procure as it is expensive too," experts said.

Traffic restrictions on some roads in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar.24 (KS)- Following the arrival of AICC President Rahul Gandhi in city to take part in various programmes here today and tomorrow, the Mysuru City Police have restricted traffic on certain roads on Mar.25 besides making alternate parking arrangements.

As a rally will be taken out from Gun House Circle, passing via Chamaraja Double Road, Ramaswamy Circle, Ekalavya Circle and Krishnaraja Boulevard, which will culminate at Maharaja's College Grounds, the movement of all vehicles is banned on the above said roads.

Even pedestrians on the rally route are instructed to take alternate roads. During the rally, movement of vehicles is also banned from Kautilya Circle to Ekalavya Circle.

Parking facilities

Those attending the public rally at Maharaja's College Grounds tomorrow (Mar.25) evening are instructed to park their vehicles at J.K. Grounds, Maharaja's Junior College Grounds, Village Hostel Grounds, Sarada Vilas College Grounds, Maharaja's PU and Yuvaraja's Degree College Grounds and parking is also provided on Bogadi Road, according to a press release from the office of the City Police Commissioner.

People's Park Library to be completed by October

Mysuru, Mar.24 (RK&DM)- The new Library building coming up at People's Park in Nazarbad is expected to be complete by October this year. City Central Library Chief Librarian Manjunath said that the Rs.5 crore project is being executed by Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Corporation. While the State Government has funded Rs.4.25 crore, the rest Rs.75 lakh is contributed by the MCC, utilising the Library Cess collected from the citizens, he said.

Continuing, Manjunath said that the building has ground and first floor and the RCC roof will be cast by the end of this month and added that the building is likely to be open for the public by the end of this year.

Arun Nagegowda promoted as Dy.SP

Arun Nagegowda

Mysuru, Mar.24- Inspector Arun Nagegowda, who was serving at Police Training Institute at Channapattana, has been promoted as Dy.SP along with 21 other Inspectors. Arun has been transferred to Lokayukta. Arun was serving as an Inspector at Devaraja Police Station in Mysuru and also served in Vijayanagar Police Station, Srirangapatna and Bengaluru.

R.P. Ashok is In-charge PRO

at City Police Commissioner's Office

Mysuru, Mar.24 (KS)- Following the transfer of A. Mallesh, who was serving as the Public Relations Officer (PRO) at City Police Commissioner's Office, Inspector R.P. Ashok, who is working at CSB, has been given the additional charge as the PRO till further order, according to a press release from the City Police Commissioner.

VOICE OF THE READER

Will MCC make a survey of dark areas in city?

Sir,

Crores of rupees have been spent for concretising some of the important roads in the city but the MCC authorities have failed to provide adequate lighting for the same. Nelson Mandela road is one such to cite.

The stretch between Highway Circle upto LIC Building is without any street light. So is the case at Jodi Thenginamara Road upto *Star of Mysore* Cross. Adjacent to this road, a graveyard is situated and it is important to have enough lighting on this stretch. The failure on the part of MCC has become a boon to anti-social elements to take advantage of the situation like burglaries as reported recently, in addition to road accidents. It is appropriate on the part of MCC to make a survey of dark areas in the city and provide adequate lighting for the convenience of the road-users.

—R. Sathyanarayan
S.S. Nagar
22.3.2018

This bus shelter needs facelift

Sir,

The bus shelter located at the left side of Yadavagiri Post Office in Mysuru city is in a dilapidated condition. Especially in the dusk it is very difficult to utilise this bus shelter. Many factories and offices are functioning in this area.

I had already complained in this column a few months back regarding the problem but no action has been taken so far.

I once again request the authorities concerned and the area Corporator in the interest of general public to look into the problem urgently and give facelift to the bus shelter. Also fix ITS (Intelligent Transport System) board displaying the timetable of city buses.

—A. Subramanya
J.P. Nagar 22.3.2018

Alumni Meet of JSS PDA

Mysuru, Mar.24- The Alumni Association of JSS Polytechnic for Differently Abled (JSS PDA) has organised its Alumni Meet at the Architecture Division of JSS PDA tomorrow (Mar.25) at 10.30 am. Prizes will be distributed to winners of Volleyball Tournament by Women and Child Development Dy. Director K. Radha. PRO of M.K. Agro-Tech Pvt. Ltd. Vishwajnachar will be the chief guest. Principal Nanjundaswamy will preside.

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Pollution Control Board officials visit Sewage Farm

Former Minister S.A. Ramdas claims MCC has been asked to take action on unscientific waste disposal by Apr. 3

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (PM&BCT)- The Sewage Farm and the Excel Treatment Plant at Vidyaranyapuram is back in news after a break of three months. This time, it is the visit of Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) officials, who inspected the plant on Thursday and took objections to the unscientific way the waste is being treated.

The CPCB officials visited the Sewage Farm following a complaint by former Minister and BJP leader S.A. Ramdas who had informed the CPCB that waste is being unscientifically disposed of and tonnes of animal waste are being indiscriminately dumped. This is causing untold misery to the residents of the surrounding areas as unbearable stench is emanating from the place, Ramdas complained.

The former Minister had also told the CPCB that despite many complaints to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and the elected representatives, nothing has been done to solve the problem. He had complained that the air and water pollution levels in the area were very high and the prime reason for this was the Sewage Farm.

The CPCB officials, who arrived in city on Thursday morning, visited the plant and first they visited the manure making unit. Later, the team visited the dumping yard and recorded that over 7 lakh metric tonnes of waste has not been processed. Samples from borewells around the area were collected to determine if the ground water was polluted.

MCC Health Officer Dr. Nagaraju, who was to brief the team about the waste treatment process, arrived late at the venue. Seeing the officer, residents of the area who were complaining to the CPCB officials about unbearable stench, questioned Dr. Nagaraj about the delay in his arrival. The residents alleged that the MCC was not making any efforts to solve the issue.

The CPCB officials noted that the plastic waste that is supposed to be destroyed was being dumped unattended. Though the officials questioned about the improper way the waste is being segregated and disposed of, Dr. Nagaraj told them that the MCC will later submit the answers in writing.

Speaking to reporters, Ramdas claimed that the CPCB officials had directed the MCC to solve the problem of unscientific disposal of waste by April 3. He said that the State Unit of the CPCB and the MCC have been asked to take steps to ensure that the residents are not inconvenienced after April 3.

He recalled his protest in December 2017 on the same issues and said that the District Administration had assured him that the issue would be solved within three months. Despite the assurance, nothing has been done, forcing him to approach the CPCB, he said.

He said that there were nine waste treatment units in Mysuru and only four of them are functioning. "However, the MCC has claimed that all the units were functioning to get Rs. 32 crore grants under Swachh Bharat Mission," he alleged.

Corporator and K.R. BJP President B.V. Manjunath, Jogi Manju, apartment resident leaders Ranganath, Subramanya, Prashanth, Nagendra and others were present during the Central team's visit to the Plant.

Railway Recruitment Drive: CCAA apprentices to benefit

Mysuru, Mar.24-A massive recruitment drive will be conducted by the Railway Ministry to fill up 62,907 vacancies.

More than 12,000 vacancies are earmarked for CCAAs (Course Completed Act Apprentices) trained in Railway Establishments only. 2,293 vacancies of South Western Railway are also included in the notification for erstwhile Group-D. This includes about 450 vacancies for CCAAs trained in Railway Establishments only.

Applicants who completed the apprenticeship course have also been given an age relaxation equal to the period of apprenticeship. **The applications are open upto Mar. 31.**

Earlier some trained apprentices were directly absorbed in the Railways in emergency situations to meet safety related requirements in exigency of service. However, now, Indian Railways has come out with a policy to ensure a fair, transparent and competitive recruitment process that follows the law and the guidelines laid down by the Supreme Court.

As per the latest policy, it has been decided to give preference to CCAAs trained in Railway Establishments and possessing NAC by reserving 20% of the vacancies in Direct Recruitment in PB1 + GP-1800 (Level 1 of Group-C as per 7th Pay Commission), according to a press release from the Chief Public Relations Officer, SWR, Hubballi.

Declining traffic sense in Mysuru: A cause for concern

By Ashvini Ranjan

Efforts by organisations like Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP), the Police and the students of various educational institutions coming together in conducting a survey of Mysuru traffic is timely and welcome. Periodical study is necessary and will help plan for the future changes as a consequence of the growth of the city and the increasing human and vehicular population.

However, seldom do we give thought to the mess that undisciplined conduct of vehicle drivers/riders cause to traffic. This facet too should be borne in mind while finding solutions to improve traffic conditions for now and the future. There is a visible decline in discipline and respect for laid down rules among the road users. Lane discipline, complying with the traffic light rule, using mobile phones while driving, not wearing a helmet and seat belts etc., violations are on the increase.

People are in a big hurry. They nudge, squeeze through narrow spaces, climb on the footpath just to get ahead. They risk not only their lives but that of others too. At road intersections, priority is given to the vehicle on the driver's right. This aspect of law is almost non-existent today. Aggressive behaviour and defiance to law too is increasing. Basic courtesies and dignified conduct are on the wane.

Zebra crossings have lost its significance and one cannot cross the street without the fear of being run over by a speeding vehicle. Minor lapses become the cause for arguments and abusive verbal exchanges in the middle of the street bringing traffic to a halt. Imposing fines or increasing the quantum of fine is proving to be an ineffective deterrent. The young seem to have deep pockets and part with a five hundred rupee denomination or more without a second thought.

I believe a time has come to take more decisive measures. The priority of the Police cannot be only on implementing the helmet and seat belt rule. Vehicles of offenders should be seized and detained for twenty four hours or more in addition to hefty fine. The inconvenience caused discourages violations and repetition of it.

CCTV cameras should be used more extensively to monitor traffic violations. Police should invite public to capture photos of wrong doers on their phones and sent to the Police for necessary follow up action.

In case of young offenders, schools and colleges should be informed of offences of their students and a letter from the Principal should be insisted upon to have the vehicle released.

Needless to say, educational institutions starting at the school level should impart lessons in good behaviour and compliance with law. Even more important, parents too need to discipline their children and regulate the money given to them.

All these measures may prove to be difficult to begin with, but it surely will be rewarding in the long run. For this initiative to succeed, it has to become a citizen's movement and not that of the Police alone.

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Hearty Welcome To

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President All India Congress Committee

Shri DK Shivakumar

President,
KPCC Campaign Committee

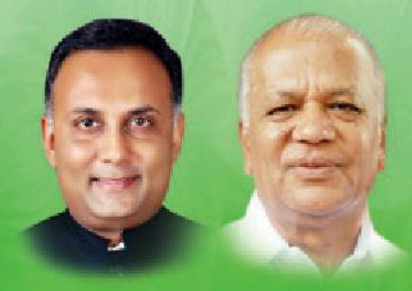
THE SCHEDULE

24-03-2018 Saturday

9:20 AM	Visit to **Chamundeshwari Temple**
10-15 AM	Interaction with Students at Science block, Maharani's College for Women, Mysore
12-30 PM	Corner Meeting @ Stadium Ground, District-Chamarajanagar
2-30 PM	Swagat @ Santhemarahalli, District-Chamarajanagar
3-15 PM	Swagat @ Yalandur, Chamarajanagar
4-00 PM	Swagat @ Kollegal, Chamarajanagar
5-30 PM	Public Meeting @ Stadium, Malavalli, Mandya

25-03-2018 Sunday

11-30 AM	Swagat @ K R Pet, Districts-Mandya
1-30 PM	Swagat @ Pandavapura, Districts-Mandya
2-15 PM	Corner Meeting @ Halesanthe Maidan, Srirangapatana, Districts-Mandya
4-00 PM	Publick Meeting @ Maharaja Ground, Mysore



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'Save the Sparrow'
campaign in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (BCT)- When was the last time you heard a sparrow chirping? These little brown-grey, lovable, small, harmless and social birds, once found in plenty, are hardly ever sighted in cities these days.

Recent surveys have shown that their numbers are declining, thanks to loss of habitat, loss of tree cover, electromagnetic radiation from mobile phone signal towers, modern agriculture, lack of food and pollution. That's why 'World Sparrow Day' is celebrated on Mar. 20.

The aim of marking this day is to stress on the need to conserve sparrows as once-ubiquitous. These little chirpy creatures are now seen in fewer places.

A State-level campaign 'Save the Sparrow' is being observed on Mar. 25 and as part of it, an awareness campaign is being conducted in Mysuru too near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at 10 am. The campaign aims to inspire people to make more efforts to bring back our companion — the humble sparrow.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* about the campaign in Mysuru, Gayathri, one of the organisers, said that the idea was to earmark a day for the house sparrow to spread the message of conservation and mark a day to appreciate the beauty of common biodiversity which is generally taken for granted.

"As part of the campaign, we will distribute specially procured artificial bird nests and bird feeders that can be hung outside their houses for the sparrows to roost. Sparrows can live just about anywhere — bus stands, Railway Stations, gardens, schools and parks. They are known to live in colonies and survive on food grains and tiny worms. We want to bring them back to the city which is still green when compared to other cities," she said.

"The easiest thing one can do is to put bird feeders outside their houses. Water feeders and bowls will help the birds re-hydrate. Mysuru is one among the cities where 'Save the Sparrow' campaign is being conducted and we want people to act, before it is too late," she added.

On the follow-up action once the bird nest and bird feeders are distributed, Gayathri said that they will note down the addresses of people who have taken the nest and feeders and visit their places once in two months. "We will not allow the nests to be kept as show-pieces," she said.

Bird-lovers may contact Mob: 94804-38232 or 78926-62571.

Seer to dedicate ClearMedi Radiant Hospital tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (KS)- ClearMedi Healthcare Pvt. Ltd., Delhi, will be opening its new hospital ClearMedi Radiant Hospital at Vijayanagar 3rd Stage here tomorrow (Mar. 25).

Swamiji

The hospital will be dedicated to the citizens by Adichunchanagiri Mutt, Mysuru Branch Seer Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji at 11 am. District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLA G.T. Devegowda and MP Pratap Simha will be present.

City's eminent doctors Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem and Dr. V. Lakshminarayan will be felicitated on the occasion.

The 100-bed hospital has mutli-speciality services including complete Oncology (Surgical / Medical and Radiation) services to treat all types of Cancer, modern Gastroenterology services, 20-bedded ICU, two modern Operation Theatres and a 17-bedded dialysis unit.

Trade licence renewal
for textile merchants on Mar.26

Mysuru, Mar. 24- Mysore Textile and Readymade Garments Merchants' Association, Shivayana Mutt Road, D. Devaraja Urs Road Cross, is organising a camp to renew and issue new trade licence for the year 2018-19 at its premises on Mar.26 (Monday) from 11 am to 4 pm.

All the Textiles and Readymade Garments merchants are requested to make use of this opportunity, according to a press release from R.N. Ramesh, Association President.

JSS Dental College & Hospital bags Appreciation Award

Mysuru, Mar. 24- The Department of Health and Family Services, Government of Karnataka, has recognised JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru, for its contribution in implementing "Dantha Bhagya Yojane" and awarded it for Best Performance in the region. The award was presented in Bengaluru on Mar.20 on the occasion of World Oral Health Day by Dr. Asha, Director, National Health Policy, Government of Karnataka, with Government of Karnataka, have delivered 675 dentures for citizens of Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts.

Dantha Bhagya Yojane was started in the Financial year 2015-16, to provide complete and partial denture to BPL families, to individuals aged above 45 years. JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Department of Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge together

Rain water harvesting by SWR Mysuru Division

Mysuru, Mar. 24- As part of its green initiatives, the South Western Railway (SWR) has developed and commissioned rain water harvesting system at 17 locations over Mysuru Division.

A total area of 8,843 sqm is allocated for rain water harvesting duly utilising 22 units developed in different areas like Railway Staff Quarters, Divisional Office, Railway Hospital and Railway Station Building resulting in reducing water bills and developing green and healthy gardens.

WATER RECYCLING PLANT

SWR Mysuru Division has also launched a water recycling plant with a capacity of 4 lakh litre at a cost of Rs.1.3 crore. The water from recycling plant is utilised for washing and cleaning of rakes in pit line and for cleaning of Platform and tracks in Mysuru Railway Station duly promoting the green environment and water conservation, according to press release from Dr. S.G.Yathish, PRO and Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager.

SC decides land dispute in favour of University of Mysore

Apex Court sets aside orders passed by Karnataka High Court in 1998 and 2000 regarding Kurubarahalli land

New Delhi, Mar. 24 (RK&BCT)- The Supreme Court yesterday decided a dispute over eight acres of land in favour of University of Mysore (UoM), holding that the University is in its lawful possession. The judgment was pronounced by a two-Judge Bench comprising Justice N.V. Ramana Reddy and Justice S. Abdul Nazeer.

The matter pertained to donation of about 22 acres of land by the Maharaja of Mysuru out of 1,600 acres to the President of India for starting Logopedics Institute in 1965. However, in 1974, Rajaiah and Nanjaiah, having been in possession of the land as cultivators since 1950, applied for registration of eight acres of land situated at Kurubarahalli village, Mysuru taluk, after enactment of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961.

Rajaiah and Nanjaiah, in 2004, had approached the High Court in this regard and the HC, after the hearing, had pronounced the judgement in their favour following which the Mysore University had knocked the doors of the Supreme Court.

In the 1960s, a portion of the land belonging to University of Mysore was handed over to All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) in exchange for a piece of land parcel at the foot of Chamundi Hill as directed by the President of India. As the land was not suitable for AIISH, the University of Mysore and AIISH entered into an agreement and the University of Mysore gave a portion of land near the University to AIISH and took possession of the land at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

In its judgement, a Bench of Justices set aside the orders passed by the Karnataka High Court in 1998 and 2000.

"The HC was not justified in holding that the private respondents are in possession of the lands in question. They do not have title or (neither) are (they) in possession of the said land," the Bench said.

The Court relied upon an order passed by the Assistant Commissioner on January 20, 2012, clearly showing that the University was in possession of the said land.

The Apex Court directed the High Court to dispose of expeditiously a writ petition by the private parties against the order. The Court also directed Mysuru trial Court to quickly decide the criminal case filed against private parties for allegedly creating "bogus" documents.

Heartly welcome to Mr. Rahul Gandhiji, President of National Congress Party and
Popular Chief Minister of Karnataka Mr. Siddaramaiahji On the eve of Janashirwada yathre Congress Conference
held on 25-03-2018 evening 4-00 pm
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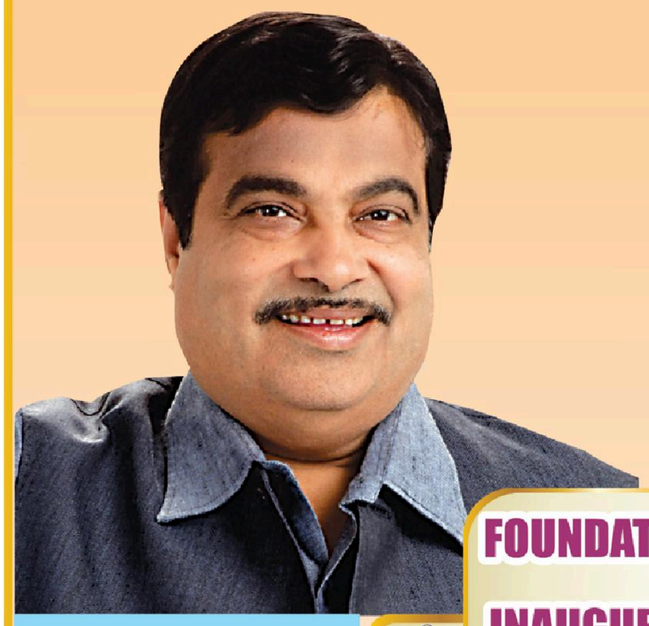

Building a Nation
Not Just Roads

FOUNDATION STONE LAYING & INAUGURATION CEREMONY

By

Shri Nitin Gadkari

Hon'ble Union Minister of Road Transport, Highways and Shipping and Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Govt. of India

FOUNDATION STONE LAYING CEREMONY

SIX LANING OF BENGALURU-MYSURU SECTION of NH-275 covering a length of 117 km with an investment of ₹ 7000 crores

- The project facilitates 10 lane configuration comprising 6 lane Access Controlled Expressway with 2 lane Service Road on both the side.

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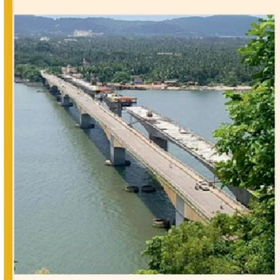

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Time: 12.30 PM
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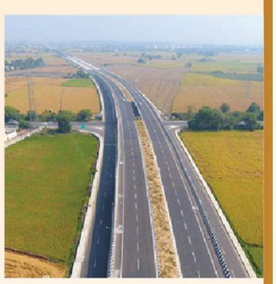
WITH AN OVERALL INVESTMENT OF ₹ 10,200 CRORES.



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Hon'ble Union Minister for Statistics and Programme Implementation

Shri Ananth Kumar
Hon'ble Union Minister for Chemicals and Fertilizers & Minster of Parliamentary Affairs

Shri Ramesh C. Jigajinagi
Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Drinking Water and Sanitation, Govt. of India

Shri Anantkumar Hegde
Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skilled Developments & Entrepreneurship

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Dr. H. C. Mahadevappa
Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Ports and Inland Water Transport, GoK

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Shri Jagadish Shettar
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Hon'ble Ex-Chief Minister & MLA, Ramanagara

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Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Chamarajanagara Constituency

Shri Pratap Simha
Hon'ble Member of Parliament Mysore & Madikeri Constituency

Shri. C.S. Puttaraju
Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Mandya Constituency

Shri. D.K. Suresh
Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Ramanagara Constituency

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All are welcome

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Shri M. Lakshminarayana, IAS
Additional Chief Secretary, Public Works, Ports & Inland Water Transport Department, Govt. of Karnataka.

Shri Deepak Kumar, IAS
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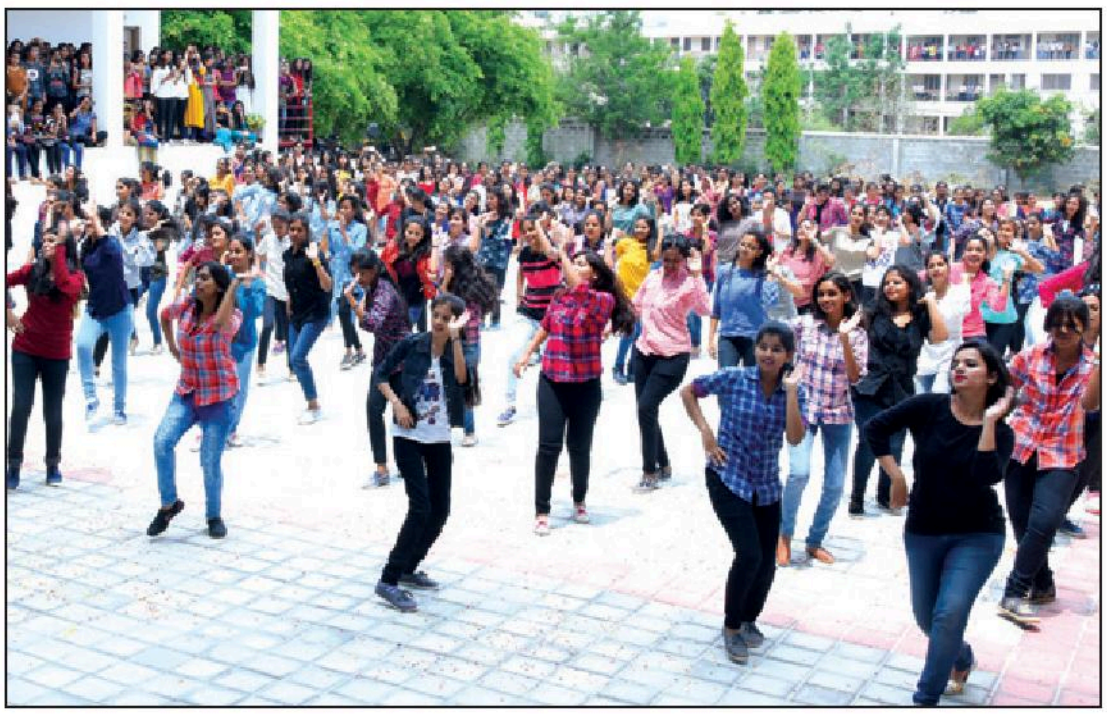
Pramoda Devi inaugurates Techno-Cultural Fest "GEETHAYAANA-2018"

Seen are from left: Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW; M. A. Ashok Shenoy, Member, GSSS; R.K. Bharath, CEO & Management Committee Member; Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary; chief guest Pramoda Devi Wadiyar; guest of honour Padma Vibhushan Dr. V. K. Aatre, former Advisor to Defence Minister; B. V. Srinivasa Gupta, Vice-President; B. K. Nataraj, Member; Prof. M. A. Chandrashekar, Academic Governing Council Member and Anupama B. Pandit, AAO, GSSSIETW, Mysuru.



Mysuru, Mar. 24- The three-day Annual Techno-Cultural Fest "GEETHAYAANA-2018" was inaugurated by chief guest Pramoda Devi Wadiyar and guest of honour *Padma Vibhushan* Dr. V. K. Aatre, former Advisor to Defence Minister at Sri M. Govindarao Memorial Hall, GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW) Campus on KRS Road in city on Mar. 22.

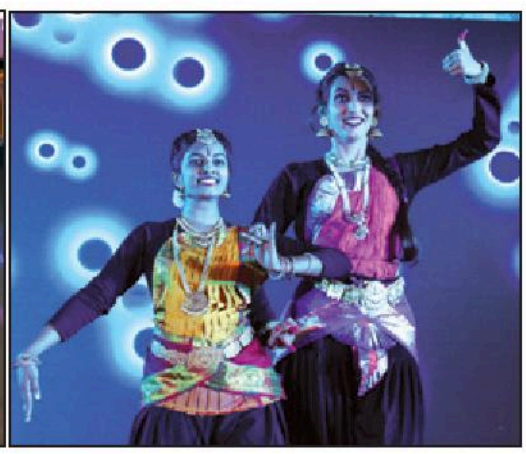
In her inaugural speech, Pramoda Devi recalled her college days and advised the students to balance both academics and extracurricular activities.

Dr. Aatre shared his perspectives of science and technology towards the development of the country. Speaking on the importance of engineering through building products for humanity, he mentioned about the challenges that would arise in the next 2-3 decades and the opportunities to come along with them.

On the occasion prizes, were distributed to academic achievers of 2016-17 VTU exams. The cultural fest began with Flash Mob, Kamsale Kunitha, Nandi Kunitha and Veeragase Kunitha.

The fest includes technical events such as Technical Quiz, Technical Collage, Circuit Debugging and Poster Presentation. The cultural events include Anthyakshari, Singing, Dumb Charades, Debate (English) and the grand finale *Miss Geethayaana-2018* and Fashion Show.

B.V. Srinivasa Gupta, Vice President, GSSS, presided. Vanaja B Pandit, Hon. Secretary, M.A. Ashok Shenoy, Member, R. K. Bharath, CEO, B.K. Nataraj, Member, Prof. M. A. Chandrashekar, Academic Governing Council Member, Anupama B, Pandit, AAO, Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, Chief Coordinators Dr. S. Bellappa, Head, Department of Chemistry, Dr. H.L. Pushpalatha, Head, Department of Physics, Staff and Students were present on the occasion.



Anand Kumar of 'Super 30' fame spells out his success mantra

Mysuru, Mar. 24 - Learners PU College, Mysuru, in association with Dayanand Sagar University, had recently organised a seminar by 'Super 30' Anand Kumar at Kalamandira.

'Super 30' is a highly ambitious and innovative educational programme in Patna run by mathematician Anand Kumar under the banner of "Ramanujan School of Mathematics". It hunts for 30 meritorious talents from among the economically backward sections of the society and shapes them for India's most prestigious institution – the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT).

At the seminar, Anand Kumar gave impetus to CET/ NEET/ DSAT crash courses. He gave valuable tips to students on how to crack these exams successfully with confidence. Some parents and students interacted and obtained explanation from him. Setting a goal of 24x7 relentless dedication and concentration to achieve the goal are of utmost importance, he said. There is nothing like only a few can crack these exams but sincere efforts alone holds the key, he added.

He spoke about the tough road he was made to tread in running the 'Super 30' programme and what made him resolve to continue with it. He presented a video where he depicted the social condition of students before they entered the 'Super 30' league and how their lives have been transformed.

He explained the process evolved by him to select the best and deserving 30 students for his programme, his success stories of all the 30 students entering IITs and the sacrifices of his family behind this. He spelt out his 'Success Mantra' for every student to imbibe.

He appreciated the efforts of Murali Mohan, founder of Learners PU College for his visits to Patna to get an insight into the methods followed there and how the best of best could be incorporated in his college.

On the occasion, subject experts Swaminathan, Faculty of Learners, and C.A.N. Anjaneyulu, Guest Faculty of Learners from Andhra Pradesh and H. Sathyaprasad, Principal of Vijaya Vittala PU College spoke about various ways to prepare for exams. Dr. Zameer, Neuro Scientist, S.V. Venkatesh, founder of RiiiT, spoke on the mental preparedness. Janardhan, Pro-Vice Chancellor of Dayanand Sagar University introduced DSAT.

Learners PU College Principal Madhavi Lata and other dignitaries released a book "Organic Chemistry for CET/NEET/JEE" authored by C.A.N. Anjaneyulu.

Learners PU College, along with Nishanth Kumar Gowtham of AICCSD, and heads of Supreme Public School (Ravindra Swamy), Hari Vidyalaya (Bhagawan and Dr. Sathyan), Prerana Academy (Pradeep and Quranhi), Gopala Swamy Institutions (Manjunath), Lions Seva Niketan (Mukund) and others felicitated Anand Kumar.

Seminar on GST held

Mysuru, Mar.24 (RKB&DM)- A two-day seminar on "Learning Avenues in Companies Act & GST" organised by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), Mysuru chapter, began at a private hotel here on Friday.

Speaking after inaugurating the seminar, CII, Mysuru Chairman Arjun Ranga, explained the benefits of GST regime.

Pointing out that GST is aimed at bringing about a uniform tax rate in the country, he said that the GST introduced under the 'One Nation-One Tax' concept will help all stakeholders.

He also highlighted the role of Chartered Accountants and Company Secretaries in the implementation of GST regime.

MCCI President A.S. Satish, ICSI Mysuru Chapter Chairman S. Manjunath, Secretary M.J. Veeresh, Treasurer Harsha and others were present. The seminar covered over 10 sessions focussing on topics such as: Latest amendments in Companies Act, 2013; Strike off provisions & COD scheme for disqualified directors; RUN & DIN services - Reservation of name and its incorporation; Representation before NCLT and NCLAT; Secretarial standards 1 and 2.

Rahul speaks to Maharani's students

Students taking selfies as Rahul poses with a dimpled smile on his face. Picture right shows students scrambling to shake hands with the Congress President.

(Continued from page 3)

It was Rahul's second such interaction with students of Mysuru. It may be recalled here that Rahul, the then All India Congress Committee General Secretary, had an interaction with students of St. Philomena's College during his visit to the city on Aug. 13, 2010.

One-hour interaction

All the students were given identity cards and some students had been given an opportunity to ask over 15 questions. The interaction was held for one hour and Rahul Gandhi replied to each question in detail. Some confusion prevailed at the venue as the sound system malfunctioned and there was no clarity in sound.

Bhavya R. Anchalekar, a B.Sc. final year student had the opportunity of asking the first question where she asked about his vision for young Indians and skilled population. Replying to her, Rahul said that Small Scale Industries had a great scope in the country for its employment generation capacity. "You know what big industrialists and diamond merchants have done to the country by cheating banks and financial institutions," he said.

Education and Demonetisation

Rahul answered the questions in English. The next student to ask a question was Ayesha who asked the Congress President about Education and demonetisation. Rahul criticised demonetisation and GST and said that both were not needed for India. Rahul questioned Ayesha about her career ambitions and she replied that she wanted to enter the civil services.

Another student Anusha questioned him about why the society was unequal despite the Constitution guaranteeing equality. Rahul said that governments (including Congress) had failed to fully implement equality. Taking a political stand, he said that if Congress comes to power, he will try to implement equality.

Equality and Discrimination

Nethravathi questioned the Congress leader about IITs and H. Lakshmi questioned him about single education policy. Interestingly, Mahadevamma, another student, questioned in Kannada about the discrimination policy followed by the governments. She said that why the benefits doled out by the governments were being handed over to only one particular community. As Rahul could not understand Kannada, KPCC President Dr. G. Parameshwara translated the question to English.

Rahul did not answer the question and asked CM Siddharamaiah to answer the question as it was a 'State Subject'. Answering Mahadevamma, Siddharamaiah justified his government's steps to achieve equality. Only when the socially deprived citizens get facilities, equality can be achieved in the society, he said.

Laptop Bhagya

Seeing Siddharamaiah answering the questions, several students complained that they had not received laptops as promised by him. "You only promised and the laptops are yet to arrive," a student said. Siddharamaiah assured that in the coming days, all students, irrespective of caste, creed and religion will get laptops in Karnataka.

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While their leader Rahul Gandhi was interacting with students, KPCC Working President Dinesh Gundu Rao, AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal and MLA M.K. Somashekar were busy with their mobile phones. Only District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa seems to be alert.

A student posing a question to Rahul Gandhi.

'Equip students with employable skills and make them job worthy'

Ex-VC Prof. S.N. Hegde at Mahajana Student Parliament

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (KS)- "Colleges should equip students with employable skills and make them job worthy," said Prof. S.N. Hegde, former Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore.

He was delivering the valedictory address of the Student Parliament, Prathibha Puraskar and farewell function to Final Year Students at SBRR Mahajana First Grade College here recently.

Addressing the gathering of students and teachers on two issues — What is a college? and What it is to be a graduate? Prof. Hegde said that colleges should not produce clones as each student is different.

He added that there is a need to identify their talent to help them develop through post scholastic activities.

He said that faculty should create a thirst for knowledge and quest for reasoning in students and added that a student should discover himself/herself in college, identify their interests and develop two elements — degree of competence and level of confidence that lead to performance. He called upon the students to develop both professional and soft skills and said "Unemployability is a critical factor, not lack of jobs."

Presiding over the valedictory programme, Shivani Tholasi who was selected as the 'Best Parliamentarian' acknowledged the opportunities the college provided for her overall development. Vinay of final year B.Com was felicitated as the 'Best Volunteer.' Students who excelled in academics, sports and winners of various endowment prizes were felicitated on the occasion as part of Prathibha Puraskar.

Seniors faculty members Dr. K.R. Gayathri, Dr. Thimmegowda gave farewell messages to the outgoing students. President of Mahajana Education Society R. Vasudeva Murthy and Secretary Dr. Vijayalakshmi Muralidhar along with Principal Dr. S. Venkataramu, wished the students on the occasion. CEO and Academic Advisor Dr. S.R. Ramesh graced the occasion.

Earlier, students Bhoomika and Bharath presented the annual report of both the college and Talents Forum. The valedictory function concluded with cultural programmes.

MICA students bag prizes at various events

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (KS)- The students of Mysore Institute of Commerce and Arts (MICA) — M. Devika of 2nd year B.Com and K. Lakshmi Narasimha of 1st year BBA — have cleared the Company Secretary (CS) Foundation exam conducted by Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), New Delhi recently.

Also, other students have emerged winners in the HR event at JSS College for Women. The winning team comprised K.V. Samanvitha of 3rd year B.Com, K. Nayan of 3rd year BBM and Gagandeep Krishna of 1st year BBA. The winners were awarded trophies, cash prizes and certificates.

MICAns were also runners up at Ekta event conducted at Sheshadripuram College.

The team comprised K.V. Samanvitha, K. Nayan and Gagandeep Krishna and Akshita Naidu of 1st year BBA.

Shreyas of 2nd year B.Com won the first prize in the gaming event. The winners were awarded gift vouchers, certificates and cash prizes.

JEEVA blood donation camp held

Mysuru, Mar. 24- JSS Centre for Management Studies (JSS CMS), Department of Management Studies, Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru, is organising a National Level Management Competition "Management Innovation for Excellence MANNOVEX -18" at JSS Centre for Management Studies on Apr.6 and 7.

As part of this national level management fest, blood donation camp was organised by JSS Centre in association with JSS Hospital on Mar. 20.

JEEVA-2018 Blood Donation Camp was inaugurated by Prof. B. G. Sanagameshwara, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. P. Nagesh, Professor and Head, JSS Science and Technology University and Dr. Pallavi, Associate Professor and Blood Bank Officer, JSS Hospital.

Dr. Mallikarjun Aradhya and Mahadevaswamy, Finance Officer, JSS STU, were present.

Yuvaraj Nath and Dr. Sridevi Kulenur were the faculty coordinators of this event. Sushma, Kiran Kumar and Vyshnavi, MBA students were the student coordinators.

Quiz on Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation at Teresian College

Mysuru, Mar. 24- Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited (KREDL) in association with Teresian College, Department of Biotechnology and Department of Physics, had organised a Special Lecture and Quiz on Role of Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation in Present Scenario at its Golden Jubilee Auditorium in Siddarthanagar recently.

The objective was to create a sense of responsibility among students towards the current energy crisis and inspire them to take action to spread awareness on renewable energy resources. The programme also aimed at increasing the knowledge of Post-Graduate Economics students on a range of renewable energy technologies, their applications and economics of use.

Nearly 200 students got first-hand understanding of how solar water heaters, solar cooking stoves, street lights and solar LED lamps work.

D.K. Dinesh Kumar, Project Engineer, Branch office, KREDL explained about the Renewable Energy progress in India and Karnataka, various schemes available from Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and Government of Karnataka for installing Rooftop Solar Grid connected system, Remote Village Electrification Programme, NABARD Scheme for rural Domestic Solar Home Light systems and Solar Water Pumping Systems. He also explained renewable energy and Energy Conservation opportunities in college and domestic sectors for UG and PG students.

Later a Quiz competition was conducted for students. Certificate and Solar Lanterns were given to winners. Sr. Dr. Sajitha, Director, Teresian Institute, Sr. Dr. Genevieve, Academic Advisor, Sr. Anjali, Superior, Dr. Veena D Almeida, Principal, Dr. Vinay B. Raghavendra, HoD, PG Department of Biotechnology, Dr. Sudha Rao, Organising Secretary were present.

Event on Entrepreneurial Development

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (SV)- An event titled 'Entrepreneurial Journey' was jointly organised by JSS Centre for Management Studies (JSS CMS), Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE) and JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru at JSS CMS recently. This programme was organised as a prelude to MANNOVEX-18.

The speakers during the programme comprised successful entrepreneurs like Prashanth, CEO, Safe Wheels Group of Companies; Annapurna Srikanth, Chartered Accountant; Dr. Chaitra Narayan, Co-Founder, Codagu Agritech and Rohan, MD, *The Quorum* Hotel.

The speakers gave inputs to the MBA students on various challenges faced by entrepreneurs, the financial aspects, seeking for opportunities, dealing with emotional status and an insight about the direction they need to take to start an entrepreneurship.

They emphasised on the role of creativity, risk taking ability and opportunity spotting capability in entrepreneurial career.

The speakers also discussed the role of young entrepreneurs in establishing the start-ups and provided various examples of successful entrepreneur and factors that influenced their success.

Prof. Thippeswamy breathes his last delivering lecture

Mysuru, Mar.24- Prof. G.R. Thippeswamy, retired Professor, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), University of Mysore, passed away yesterday while delivering a lecture.

He was delivering a talk at Kuvempu Trust's Sri Vivekananda PU College auditorium organised in the memory of B.M. Shri.

The 63-year-old collapsed following a heart attack. He was immediately taken to the nearby Chandrakala Hospital (which is hardly a few metres from the spot) but died on the way.

The body was kept at his residence in Roopa Nagar for the public to pay their respects.

Hundreds of students, relatives and a vast circle of academic fraternity and friends visited his home and many were found in tears.

KIKS Director Prof. Priti Srimandar Kumar, Kannada Sahitya Academy President Prof. Aravind Malgatti, Littérateur Prof. Hanur Krishnamurthy, MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh and others expressed their condolence.

Prof. Thippeswamy hailed from Gujjanadu village in Pavagada taluk of Tumakuru district and was working in Government First Grade College. In 1999, he joined KIKS as a Reader and retired from there. He was a popular critic and has also done memorable work in the field of folklore. He was a recipient of several awards.

Prof. Thippeswamy leaves behind his wife Kamalavani, daughters Sindhu and Bindu, and host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held today at his native Gujjagadu village in Tumakuru district.

It may be recalled that Prof. Polanki Ramamurthy, a Professor in the Department of English, UoM, had passed away in the early 1990s at Dhvanyaloka, on Bogadi Road, while delivering a talk on the topic "Death and King's Horsemen" a play written by Nobe Laureate Wole Soyinka.

Disruption
in water supply

Mysuru, Mar.24- On account of maintenance works being taken up at the ground-level water storage tank in Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW), there will be no water supply from Mar.27 to 29 in MCC Wards 16, 18, 21, 22 covering Kuvempunagar and Dattagalli 3rd Stage.

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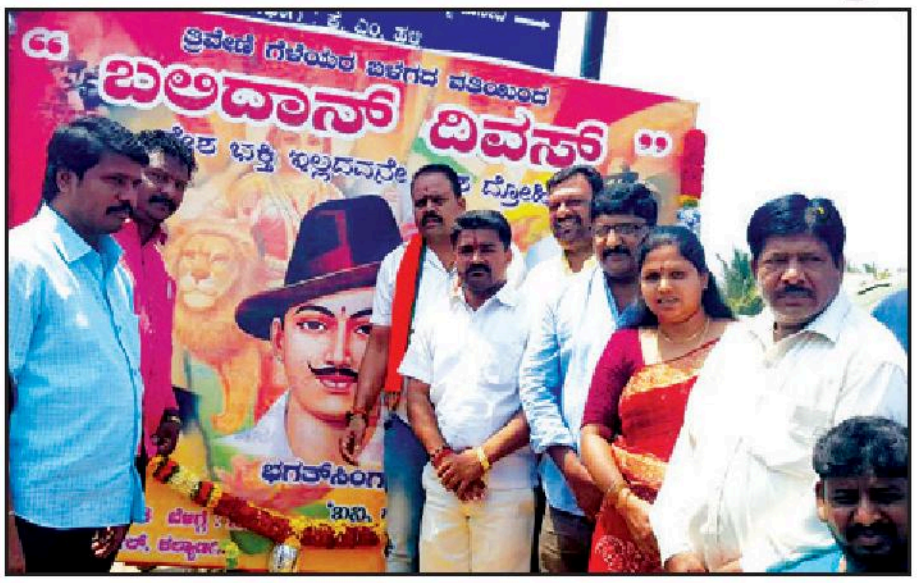
Balidan Divas observed in city



Mysuru, Mar.24 (RKB&US)- Balidan Divas was observed by various organisations in city yesterday.

All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO) had organised a programme at Ramaswamy Circle where revolutionists Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajaguru were remembered for their gallantry and sacrifice while revolting against the British.

Speaking on the occasion, AIDSO State Executive Committee Member Ajay Kamath opined that true independence will be achieved when harassment of a person by another person becomes extinct which demands a sort of social revolution.

AIDSO District President H.M. Basavarj, Vice-President Akash, Office-bearers Asiya Begum, Chandrakala and others were present during the occasion.

Yuva Bharath Sanghatane and Triveni Gelyara Balaga had organised a programme at Triveni Circle in N.R. Mohalla.

RS Polls: All three Congress nominees and one from BJP win

Bengaluru, Mar.24- Congress candidates G.C. Chandrashekar, L. Hanumanthaiah and Syed Nasir Hussain and BJP nominee Rajeev Chandrashekar were elected to the Rajya Sabha (RS) on Monday amid high drama and unprecedented poll boycott by JD(S), citing violation of electoral rules.

A candidate required around 38 votes to win the elections. Members of the Legislative Assembly form the electoral college for the RS polls. Of the 217 eligible voters, as many as 188 members voted with four votes found invalid.

The result sprang a few surprises as the maximum number of votes (50) were polled by BJP nominee Rajeev, that exceeded the strength of BJP members in the Assembly.

Rajeev was followed by Congress' G.C. Chandrashekar (46), Hanumanthaiah (44) and Nasir Hussain (42), JD(S) candidate B.M. Farooq got the votes of just 2 party MLAs who had exercised their franchise before the JD(S) leadership decided to boycott the election.

Though the poll was expected to be a cake walk for Congress and BJP candidates, there was high drama since 11 am after JD(S) leader H.D. Revanna alleged irregularities in voting.

Rajeev Chandrashekar *Hanumanthaiah* *Syed Nasir Hussain* *G.C. Chandrashekar*

The controversy was triggered when Revenue Minister Kagodu Thimmappa and MLA Babu Rao Chinchansur erroneously marked the ballot paper with tick marks, rather than using preferential numbering to choose the candidates, as mandated by the Election Commission of India (ECI).

However, JD(S) leader H.D. Revanna, who was the polling agent for his party, objected to the same alleging that providing two ballot papers violated election regulations.

Soon, other JD(S) MLAs led by its State President and former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy staged a dharna inside the polling booth accusing ECI officials of working as agents of the Government. JD(S) candidate B.M. Farooq submitted two memorandums to the ECI demanding countermanding of the election. The JD(S) accused Legisaltive Assembly Secretary S. Murthy, who is the Returning Officer (RO), of gross violation of electoral rules.

Though the polling ended at 4 pm, there was a delay of more than three hours before the counting of votes began as following the JD(S) complaint, the ECI officials awaited instructions from Delhi. As soon as the response was received directing the officials to segregate the vtoes of Thimmappa and Chinchansur, the counting began at around 7.15 pm.

Though 188 votes were cast only 184 votes were counted in the final tally as two were invalidated and two were set aside. All the four votes were of Thimmappa and Chinchansur.

The number of eligible voters, however, was 217, of which 30 were JD(S) Legislators — excluding the seven rebels.

Of the 30, only two had cast their votes. Among Congress members, Belur MLA Y.N. Rudresh Gowda could not cast his vote due to ill health.

Belur Congress MLA passes away

Rudresh Gowda

Bengaluru, Mar.24- Congress MLA from Belur (Hassan), Y.N. Rudresh Gowda passed away at a private hospital here this morning following brief illness.

Rudresh Gowda, also a former Lok Sabha MP from Hassan, was being treated at the hospital's ICU when he breathed his last at about 11.30 am, despite the best efforts of the doctors to save him, according to hospital sources.

Rudresh Gowda who was critically ill could not take part in the Rajya Sabha polls held yesterday.

He is the fourth Legislator of the present Assembly to pass away in recent months — the others being Qamarul Islam of Congress from Kalaburagi in Sept. 2017, Chikkamadu of JD(S) who represented H.D. Kote in Nov.2017 and K.S. Puttannaiah of KRRS who represented Melukote, in Feb. 2018.

Srirangapatna MLA quits Assembly

Ramesh Babu

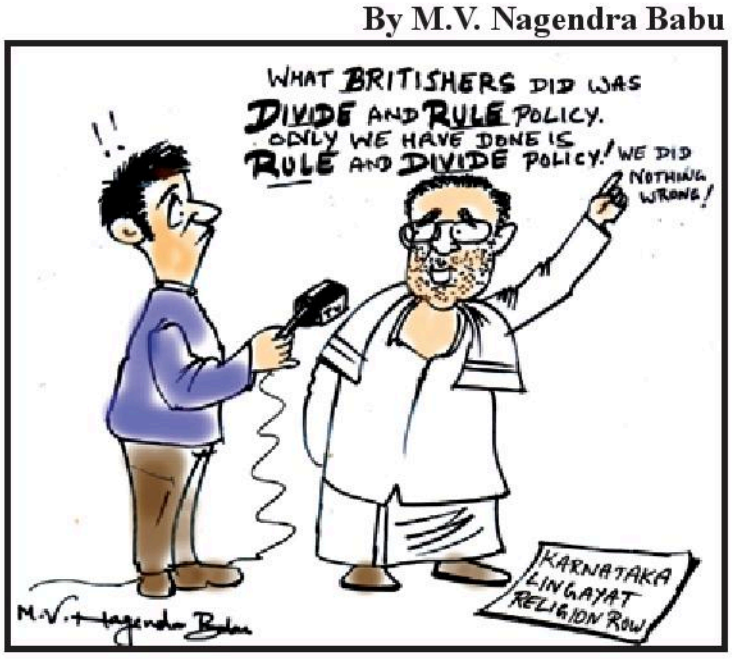
Bengaluru, Mar.24- Soon as the Rajya Sabha polls for four seats from the State concluded yesterday, JD(S) rebel MLA from Srirangapatna, Ramesh Babu Bandi Siddegowda resigned his Assembly membership.

Ramesh Babu, a rebel JD(S) MLA who turned against the party leadership after the 2016 Rajya Sabha polls, is all set to join the Congress in the presence of AICC President Rahul Gandhi at a rally in Srirangapatna tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Nagamangala MLA Cheluvarayaswamy, who is leading the group of seven rebel JD(S) MLAs, said on Friday that other rebel MLAs will decide on quitting their Assembly membership in a couple of days.

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu


WHAT BRITISHERS DID WAS DIVIDE AND RULE POLICY. ONLY WE HAVE DONE IS RULE AND DIVIDE POLICY! WE DID NOTHING WRONG!
KARNATAKA LINGAYAT RELIGION ROW
M.V. Nagendra Babu

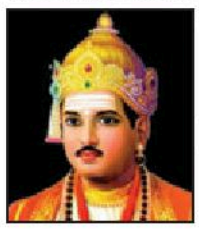
Govt. notifies Lingayat religion tag

Veerashaiva Mahasabha stands firm on 'Veerashaiva-Lingayat' tag

Bengaluru, Mar.24- The State Government yesterday issued a notification on granting religious minority status to "Lingayats and Veerashaiva-Lingayats who believe in Basavanna's ideology" while the Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Mahasabha demanded a change in the nomenclature.

In a nine-point resolution passed by the Executive Committee of the Mahasabha headed by senior Congress leader Shamanur Shivashankarappa, it was demanded that the Government drop the words "Basava tatva" (principles) from its decision. Instead, the status should be accorded to both Lingayat Veerashaiva communities, considering them as one and the same.

However, the Body clarified that it has no objection for according the status to Veerashaiva Lingayats outside of the Hindu fold. The Body contended that differentiating between Veerashaiva and Lingyats was incorrect and an attempt to divide them.



It resolved to urge the State Government to "force the NDA Government at the Centre to honour proposal of according separate religions tag to Veerashaiva Lingayat religion, which was sent in 2013 during the tenure of United Progressive Alliance (UPA) Government."

On the other end, the Department of Minorities Welfare, Haj and Wakf notified "religious minority" status to "Lingayats (believers of Basava philosophy)" under section 2(d) of the Karnataka State Minorities Act, 1994. It will, however, come into effect after the Centre issues a similar notification under 2(c) of the National Commission for Minorities Act, 2005, as per the notification.

"It is unconstitutional to impose any tatva. Hence, the Government should withdraw its decision (taken in Mar.19 State Cabinet meeting)," Shivashankarappa said. "The Government should take steps to accord the status to Veerashaiva-Lingayat as recommend by the Mahasabha in the past," he added. The Mahasabha said the community will not get any reservation as per the Government's decision to accord the status. The community should get all benefits that minority communities like Muslims and Christians are availing, including education and employment.

"We don't differentiate between Veerashaiva and Lingayat. We don't want to know who founded the faith. Our aim is to maintain unity and not divide the community. People belonging to the community should not get confused," the resolution stated.

Obituary

Kempamma

Mysuru, Mar.24- Kempamma (70), wife of late Javarappa and a resident of Chamaraja Mohalla, passed away this morning.

She leaves behind three sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill today.

B.K. Mahadevappa

B.K. Mahadevappa (84), of

Bookanakere in K.R. Pet taluk of Mandya District, passed away here yesterday.

A relative of State BJP President and former CM B.S. Yeddyurappa, Mahadevappa leaves behind his wife, a son, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his native village Bookanakere this afternoon, according to family sources.

Pailwan Chandrashekar

Pailwan M.K. Chandrashek-

ar (68), a resident of Ittigegud in city, passed away here yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning, according to family sources.

Car-scooter collision kills two in H.D. Kote

H.D. Kote, Mar.24 (SN&DM)- Two scooterist were killed when the scooter they were travelling collided head on with a car near Sogahalli Gate on Mysuru-Manandavadi Road in the taluk this morning.

The deceased have been identified as Doreswamy (55), a contractor from H.D. Kote and Ravi (26), a tractor-driver Savvemala in the taluk. The two were travelling on TVS scooty from H.D. Kote, when a speeding car (KL-36 C-4057) coming from Manandavadi side knocked down the scooter near Sogahalli Gate at about 7.30 am.

While Doreswamy died at the spot, Ravi, who sustained serious injuries, breathed his last at H.D. Kote hospital some time later, it is learnt.

Beechanahalli Police have registered a case in this regard.

Molestation of elderly woman

Man sentenced to seven years imprisonment

Mysuru, Mar.24 (YDS&DM)- A city Court has sentenced a 42-year-old man, accused of molesting a 60-year-old woman, to seven years imprisonment besides imposing a penalty of Rs.10,500 on him. Ravichandra (42) of Nooralakuppe is the one who has been sentenced.

The 60-year-old woman was returning from a temple at Antarasanthe in H.D. Kote taluk on the night of Jan.14, 2015, when the accused Ravichandra who came on a motorcycle, promised her of dropping her to the village.

But Ravichandra instead of dropping her to the village, took her to a secluded place near the burial ground at Antarasanthe and molested her.

Beechanahalli Police, who investigated the case, submitted charge-sheet against Ravichandra in the Court.

The Special Court Judge P. Chandrasekhar, who heard the case, convicted Ravichandra of the charges and sentenced him to seven years imprisonment.

Public Prosecutor Mahantappa argued on behalf of the State.

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Rahul performs 'Sankalpa' at Chamundi Temple

• Bandh-like atmosphere atop Hill Temple for VVIP visit
• Congress President impressed with Temple history

Mysuru, Mar.24 (MTY&BCT)- Barricaded roads, ban on vehicle entry, armed commandoes covering the VVIPs, people barred from certain points, thick security cover, bandh-like atmosphere, argument between media persons and the Police — these were a few scenes witnessed at Chamundeshwari Temple atop the imposing Chamundi Hill in city this morning when Congress President Rahul Gandhi came calling.

The AICC President began his tour of old Mysuru region today and he arrived at the Mysore Airport at Mandakalli in a special plane from New Delhi. His plane landed at 9.10 am and was received by CM Siddharamaiah and a host of Congress leaders.

Heading straight to Chamundi Hill, Rahul's convoy that had over 35 vehicles including the armed vehicles of Special Protection Group as he is given 'Z Plus' security reached the Hill top at 9.43 am. Rahul entered the temple at 9.44 am and was inside the sanctum sanctorum till about 9.48 am. He was led into the special room in front of the Chamundeshwari idol (where only VVIPs and special guests are allowed) and Rahul sat on the ground while priests performed pujas.

Poorna Kumbha welcome

As Rahul neared the entrance of the temple, he was given a "Poorna Kumbha" welcome by women carrying Kalashas. *Dollu Kunita* and *Veeragaase* teams too performed and Rahul walked amidst them, smiling and waving at his supporters.

Dressed in his trade-mark white-and-white kurta-pyjama, the Congress President made a "Sankalpa" and prayed for the welfare of the country and his party. In the absence of Chamundi Temple Chief Priest Shashishekar Dikshit as he had gone to attend a Rathotsava at Krishna Raja Sagar Village, priest Deviprasad performed pujas.

History of temple

Inside the temple, Rahul asked CM Siddharamaiah about the history and significance of the temple. Siddharamaiah gave details about the holy place in English while priests Deviprasad and Shankar Jois told him in Hindi that the temple was among the 18 'Shakti Peetas' as mentioned in Hindu mythology. This place was powerful as Goddess Chamundeshwari killed demon Mahishasura here. They explained to him how the Goddess is worshipped in nine 'Alankaras' during Navaratri festival.

Priests told *SOM* that Rahul was impressed with the history of the place and told them that it was his first visit to a 'Devi' temple of such significance. After his temple visit, Rahul headed towards Maharani's College where he interacted with students.

Entry of private vehicles was banned from 8 am till 10 am atop the hill and the vehicles were allowed only after Rahul's convoy left the Hill temple. Only government buses were allowed and they too were blocked as the VVIP convoy entered and exited the temple premises. Congress activists had lined up on both sides of the road holding welcome banners and placards hailing their leader.

Bandh-like atmosphere

Atop the Hill, a bandh-like atmosphere prevailed as all the shop and business establishments were closed due to security risk. Devotees were prevented from entering the temple and their entry was blocked at Dasoha Bhavan. They were allowed inside only after Rahul left.

As the security was tight, no media person was allowed entry into the temple complex and only journalists who had valid passes were allowed inside. This led to heated arguments between media personnel and the Police. Officers who otherwise recognised journalists at different event venues, refused to oblige saying that they have got strict orders from their bosses on maintaining security.

Gandhi was accompanied by Energy Minister D.K. Shivakumar, AICC General Secretary and Karnataka In-charge K.C. Venugopal, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, KPCC Working President Dinesh Gundu Rao and former Bengaluru Mayor Ramachandrappa.

Zoo dismisses woman employee for repeat entry tickets

Mysuru, Mar.24 (MTY&NNN)- A daily-wager woman employee at Mysuru Zoo has been dismissed from service after it was found that she had been involved in selling the same tickets sold earlier, which amounted to repeat entry.

The racket came to light on Mar.8, when the counter staff found that 40 tickets worth Rs.50 each amounting to Rs.2,000 issued to a tourist party from Tamil Nadu carried an earlier date. When the ticket collector saw the tickets he found that the dates printed on the tickets were that of three days earlier.

Immediately, he brought it to the notice of Executive Director, Mysuru Zoo, C. Ravishankar.

On smelling a racket, he has asked all his staff to keep it under wraps. They did not find anything on Mar.9. But again on Mar.10 they found one more ticket of Rs.70 (as tickets for adults are priced at Rs.70 on weekends and Sundays) similarly. The Executive Director decided to nip the racket in the bud and immediately sacked the woman employee.

"The name of the woman employee has not been disclosed as it would affect her future life. Each employee has a separate password to log in," said Ravishankar speaking to *Star of Mysore* here this morning.

However, the woman had denied the charge and said that ID and password had been leaked. But, as it had originated from one particular counter itself which she was manning and realising that there was a loophole in the system, she was dismissed. A daily wager, she was recruited five to six years ago, he said.

In order to see that such illegal activities do not recur, it has been decided to introduce scanning system in the next one week. "In fact the bar code tickets were introduced three years ago only to see that nothing goes wrong. Now we will see to it in the new system that no sooner the bar code is scanned the ticket will become null and void with no repeat entry," he said.

Meanwhile, the passwords and ID of all the staff have been changed and some of them have also been reshuffled, he said.

MLA Vasu's birthday: Donate to Bapuji Children's Home

Mysuru, Mar.24- MLA Vasu's birthday is being celebrated tomorrow (Mar.25) by his followers and voters. His office has urged the many friends and followers not to greet Vasu with bouquets and gifts but instead donate the money that will be spent on buying them to Bapuji Children's Home, No.151/F, Gokulam 3rd Stage, Mysuru.

For further details, contact Ph: 0821-2510738 or Mob: 9945373076

Amit Shah to tour State on Mar. 26 and 27

Mysuru, Mar.24- BJP National President Amit Shah will undertake a two-day tour of the State on Mar.26 and 27. Announcing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here this morning, City BJP President Dr. B.H. Manjunath said that Shah will tour Tumakuru, Shivamogga, Chitradurga and Davanagere during his two-day tour.

Upon his arrival, Shah will visit Tumakuru Siddaganga Mutt on the morning of Mar.26, following which he will address a rally of coconut growers at Tiptur before leaving for Shivamogga.

Upon his arrival in Shivamogga, Shah will visit Rashtrakavi Kuvempu Memorial at Kuppali in Teerthahalli, following which he will address a Areca Growers meet and hold a road show at Shivamogga, besides interacting with Seers of various Mutts.

On Mar.27, Shah will begin his programme by taking part at 'Mushti Dhanya Abhiyana' at Davanagere following which he will visit Sirigere Mutt and Madara Channaiah Swamiji Mutt and seek blessings of the Seers.

Shah will later visit Murugha Mutt at Chitradurga, following which he will take part in SC/ST rally at Challakere and address party workers at Chitradurga Shakti Kendra, before winding up his 2-day tour, Manjunath said.

BJP leaders H.V. Rajeev, Prabhakar Shinde and others were present at the press meet.

MCC's move to shift abattoir hailed

Mysuru, Mar.24 (PM&US)- Residents of Kesare heaving a sigh of relief have commended the decision of MCC in shifting the existing slaughter house from Kesare to a far flung area about 1.5 km off Ring Road.

Addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here this morning, former MLA Maruthi Rao Pawar, who had spearheaded the campaign to get the slaughter house shifted, expressed happiness over the decision of the MCC.

He further said that a meeting has been organised tomorrow at 5.30 pm at Ganapathy Temple near R.S. Naidu Nagar bus stand to celebrate the MCC's decision. He recalled that the struggle to get the slaughter house shifted lasted for five years.

He added that the MCC Health Standing Committee on repeated inspections finally decided to recommend the shifting of the slaughter house.

Corporator B.V. Manjunath and others were present.

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	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
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Mukyamantri Kaldodnappo	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Tagaru	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
# O Premave	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Prema Baraha	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Atrupta	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Pacific Rim 2	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
B.A. Pass 2	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Mafia Bigg Boss	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TELUGU			
MLA (Manchi Lakshanalunna Abbai)			
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
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Pacific Rim Uprising (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.30 am, 2.00 pm 7.30 pm, 9.55 pm
Black Panther (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
Mukyamantri Kaldodnappo (K)	(S-2)	11.15 am
Tagaru (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Dr. Sukanya (K)	(S-2)	4.30 pm
Raid (H)	(S-2)	7.15 pm
MLA (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Hichki (H)	(S-3)	11.00 am, 4.45 pm 7.15 pm, 9.50 pm
Padmaavat (H)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Rajaratha (K)	(S-4)	10.20 am, 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.05 pm 9.55 pm

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Rajaratha (K)	(S-2)	9.55 am, 12.50 pm, 3.45pm 6.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Hichki (H)	(S-3)	11.10 am, 1.45 pm, 4.20pm 6.55 pm, 9.30 pm
Pacific Rim Uprising (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 2.40 pm 7.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Raid (H)	(S-4)	10.15 am, 3.55 pm, 9.20pm
Yogi Duniya (K)	(S-4)	12.55 pm
MLA (Manchi Lakshanalunna Abbai) (Te)	(S-4)	6.35 pm
Atrupta (K)	(S-1)	12.10 pm
Mukyamantri Kaldodnappo (K)	(S-1)	5.00 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR.24)

SDM-IMD: 23rd Annual Convocation, SDM-IMD Chairman Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade presides, RBI Dy. Governor N.S. Vishwanathan delivers Convocation address, Institute campus, foot of Chamundi Hill, **4 pm.**

Books release: Three books authored by ophthalmologist Dr. H.R. Manikarnika — 'Aahara Arogya', 'Hadihareya - Samasyegalu mattu Parihara' and 'Badukuva Kale' — will be released, Sri Sathyasai Educational Institution premises, near Sri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Choultry, Jayalakshmipuram, **4 pm.**

Jadugar S.N. Guruswamy Mithra Mandali: 27th anniversary celebration of Jadugar S.N. Guruswamy's ventriloquist profession, Sri Gurushanta Swamiji, Sri Basavalinga Swamiji and Sri Guru Swamiji will grace the occasion, former Minister S.A. Ramdas inaugurates, MLA G.T. Devegowda presides, felicitation to former Member of Karnataka Nataka Academy Kiragasuru Rajappa, Dr. Rajendra Bhavan, JSS Hospital premises, **4 pm.**

JSS Science and Technology University, SJCE, JSS TI Campus: Valedictory of National Conference on 'Advanced Materials for Health, Energy and Environment,' CS/IS Seminar Hall, Golden Jubilee Bhavan, SJCE, **4.30 pm.**

Dhvanyaloka: Lakshminarasamma, C.N. Narasimha Murthy and C.S. Ramaiah Memorial Evening, chief guest - Vijaya Sindhuvally of Kalasuruchi, Shivara Umesh - Harikatha Vidwan, Umashankar - harmonium, Venkatesh, Mandya - tabla, talk on 'Effect of chemicals on human body - A herbal way forward' by K. Sadvi, Dhvanyaloka, Bogadi Road, **5 pm.**

KSCA Mysuru Zonal Committee: Annual Award Function (2017-18), Dodda Ganesh, former International cricketer and Managing Committee Member, KSCA, Bengaluru, chief guest, S. Santosh Menon, Asst. Secretary, Tournaments, KSCA, Bengaluru, guest of honour, Sudhakar Rai, Chairman, KSCA Mysuru Zone, S. Balachandar, Convener, KSCA Mysuru Zone, A.V. Shashidhar, Zonal Co-ordinator and B.K. Kumar, Zonal Incharge, will be present, Nityotsava Hall, near Ballal Circle, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Ramaseva Mandali, Mysuru North: 24th Ramanavami Music Festival, vocal recital by H.N. Lakshmi and party, **5.30 pm;** Vocal recital by Vid. Ramakrishna Murthy, accompanied by Mysore V. Srikanth, H.S. Sudeendra and G. Omkar Rao, Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**

Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC), Mysuru: Natarajothsava-2018, 32nd Edition of the three-day National-level Classical Dance Festival for young male and couple dancers, Kathak exponent Mysore B. Nagaraj, Artistic Director, Articulate Dance Studio, inaugurates, Savitha Ramesh, Director, Kaynes Technology, chief guest, K.V. Murthy, President of VPAC, presides, **6 pm;** Kathak by Laxminarayan Jena, Bengaluru, disciple of Guru Mysore B.Nagaraj, **7 pm;** Kuchipudi group performance by Abhilash Udupa, Bhavana Anand, Gowri A. Murthy, R. Vaishnavi and Sujay J. Shanbhag, Bengaluru, disciples of Guru Dr.Veenamurthy Vijay, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **7.45 pm to 8.30 pm.**

Bhramara Trust of Y.T. and Madhuri Thathachari: Presentation of 'Bharat Ratna Smt. M. S. Subbulakshmi National Award' to Vidu. Sudha Iyer and 'Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao Award' to Vid. Sunaada Krishna Amai, Swami Athmajnanananda-ji, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, presides and delivers the benediction, Vidu. Koviladi R. Kala, an eminent vocalist and Vid. S. Sudarshan, a renowned mridangist and advocate, guests of honour; Concert by the awardees follows, they will be accompanied on violin by Vidushi Srividya Iyer and on ghata by Vid. M.R. Manjunath, Alwar Kala Bhavana, Krishna Temple Complex, 6th Main, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Yukteshanandaji speaks on 'Divine Life of Sri Ramakrishna,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

VSP Enterprises: Charity musical nite by Chandan Shetty, winner of Bigg Boss-5, Open Air Theatre, Manasagangothri, **6pm.**

Pratibimba Theatre Troupe: International Women's Day celebrations, staging of play 'Bharatiya Naari - 1951,' Kalamandira, **6 pm.**

Samskruti Prakashana, Mysuru: Book release — 'Ananda Avara Samagra Kathegalu' by senior scholar Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry, retd. Akashavani Director Dr. M.S. Vijaya Haran speaks about the book, Ananda's daughter Parvathi Shekar & son A.S. Vijayakumar and publisher Samskruti Subramanya will be present, Maneyangala, Kalamandira, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR.25)

Exhibition: Photography Exhibition on 'Kukkarahalli Kere' by citizens of Mysuru, University of Mysore (UoM) in-Charge VC Prof. C. Basavaraju inaugurates, UoM Registrar D. Bharathi, Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. J. Somashekar and EMRC Director Prof. M.R. Gangadhar will be present, Kukkarahalli Lake Main Gate, **7 am;** Expo will be open to public, **7 am to 10 am and 4 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Sri Sita Rama Temple Trust, Manandavadi Road, Railway Colony: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Abhisheka, Mangalarati, **7 am;** Mahamangalarati, Theerta Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, **11.30 am.**

Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar: 52nd Ramotsava, Suprabhata Seve, Sankalpa, Abhisheka, Archane, Veda Parayana, Ramayana Parayana, **7 am to 11 am;** Cultural programme - Bhajans by Members of Sita Rama Bhajana Mandali and Sri Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana, Rama Mandira, 2nd Main, 16th Cross, Jayanagar, **7 pm.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: 9th Sri Vasantha Navaratri Mahotsava, Kalavruddhi Homa, Sri Chakrarchane, **8.30 am;** Sagraha Makha Navachandiyaga, Trayinyas, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Mysore Art Gallery: Kannada Kaligaligagi - Ondu Namana, art expo by M.B. Mallikarjuna, Gallery premises, Ramanuja Road 12th Cross, **10 am to 6 pm.**

Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira: 89th Sri Ramotsava - Cultural Programme, Sri Ramanavami, Sri Rama Pattabhisheka, Rama Sahasranama by Chaitanya Bhajana Mandali, **10 am;** Bhajans by Chinmayi Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm;** Vocal Recital by Vid. Dr. P.S. Muralidhar and troupe, Rama Mandira premises, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sri Ramaseva Mandali, Mysuru North: 24th Ramanavami Music Festival, vocal recital by Vidu. Shruthi S. Bhat, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi, Vid. Pavan Madhav Masoor and Vid. R. Srinidhi, **10 am;** Ramapara Rachanagalu by Surabhi Group, **5.30 pm;** Veena recital by Prof. R. Vishweshwaran, accompanied by Anoor Anantha Krishna Sharma on mridanga and V.S. Ramesh on morching, Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**

Ayurveda Academy, Bengaluru and GSS Foundation, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru: Hithayu Chinthanam — Free Health Lecture Programme, GSS Foundation, Kuvempunagar, **10 am to 12.30 pm.**

Vivekanandanagar Brahmana Sabha, Srirampura 2nd Stage: Sri Ramanavami, Panaka Distribution, **10.30 am;** Karnatak Classical Music by Vidu. Sunanda Dileep of Music University and upcoming artiste Tejaswini, accompanied by Vid. Tandavamurthy on violin and Vid. Nagaraj on tabla, Sri Shankara Prarthana Mandira, Sri Ganapati Sri Lakshminarasimhaswamy, Sri Gayatridevi and Sri Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **7 pm to 8.15 pm.**

Pandit Taranath Foundation: Vocal recital by Hindustani singer Pt. Ganapati Bhat Hasanagi, accompanied by Pt. Veerabhadraiah Yargal on harmonium and Sridhar Srinivas Mandre on tabla, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **10.15 am.**

Old Students Association, JSS Polytechnic for Differently Abled (JSS PDA), JSS IT Campus: Alumni Meet and prize distribution of Volleyball Tournament (2018), Women and Child Development Dy. Director K. Radha distributes prizes, PRO of M.K. AgroTech Pvt. Ltd. Vishwajnachar chief guest, JSS PDA Principal Nanjundaswamy presides, Architecture Division of JSS PDA, **10.30 am.**

Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA): Annual General Body Meeting (AGM), MDJA President C.K. Mahendra presides, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) auditorium, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**

Karnataka Rajya Sarvajana Mahila Hitarakshana Vedike, K.R. Mohalla: Third anniversary celebration and marking International Women's Day, conferring of 'Kittur Rani Chennamma' award on senior women achievers — Deenamani Srinivasamurthy, Lalitha Sharma, Bhagirathi, N. Shantha Kumari, M.N. Yadugiri Gopalan and Manjula Harish; Retd. Education Officer Nagamma chief guest, Vedike State President Yashodha Narayan presides, Yashu Children's Academy, K.R. Mohalla, **10.30 am.**

Karnataka State Pharmacists Association, Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District Branch: 3rd year International Women's Day celebrations, Youth Empowerment and Sports Asst. Director Dr. Manjula Hullahalli inaugurates, Hotel Guru Residency, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**

Kalasuruchi: Sahitya Chavadi - Interaction with Dr. G. Ramakrishna on 'Rig Veda - Ondu Sahitya Kritiyagi,' Suruchi Rangamane, Chithrabanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**

Hebbar Sree Vaishnava Rural District Upa Sabha, Mysuru and Andal Mandiram Trust, Mysuru: Sri Ramanavami celebrations, a music feature titled 'Bhavayami Raghuramam' by Dr. Srinidhi K. Parthasarathi, accompanied by Vid. Srikanth on violin and Vid. Dasappa on mridanga, Andal Mandiram, Temple Street, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm to 7 pm.**

Sri Ganapathi Seva Mandali: Ramotsava Cultural Fest, Bhajans by Samatwa Sangeetha Kendra and Sharadadevi Mahila Samaja; Flute recital by Mysore A. Chandan Kumar, Sri Ganapathy Temple premises, Ramakrishnanagar I-Block, **6 pm.**

Bharathi Sthree Samaja: Sri Ramanavami Music Concerts - Vocal recital by Vidu. Koviladi R. Kala and party, Samaja premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Mokshatmanandaji speaks on 'Divine Life of Swami Brahmananda,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust: 128th Sri Ramotsava - Cultural Programme, Classical Music by Vidu. Ranjani & Gayatri and Troupe, Smt. Alamma Choultry, Kunchitigara Sangha, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Rama Seva Mandali, Sri Shankaranarayana Swamy Temple, Chamundipuram: Sri Ramotsava, Classical Vocal Recital by Vidu. Chaitra Sairam, Chennai, accompanied by Vidu. Adithi Krishnaprasad on violin and Vid. Vadiraj on mridanga, Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**

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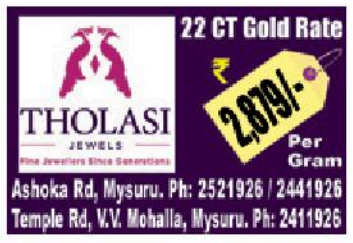

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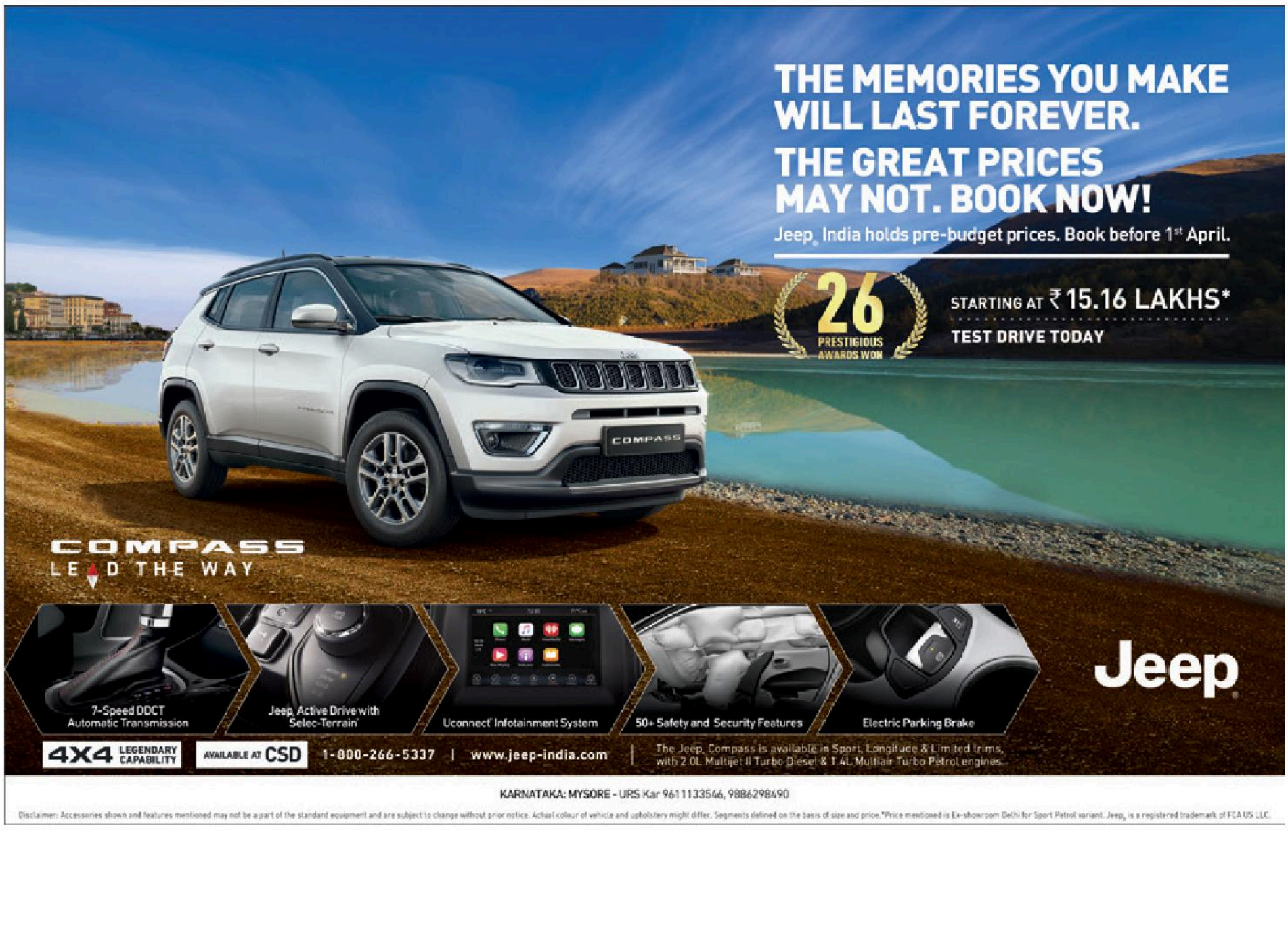
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